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## DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 28 November 1956

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory, Col. White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Bissell, Sheldon (part of mtg.), General Truscott, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

25X1 a) Noted that during his trip [redacted] yesterday  
 25X1 he had an opportunity to have conversations [redacted]  
 25X1 [redacted] and commented  
 25X1 he was most favorably impressed with all of these people. The  
 25X1 Director also noted that [redacted] the  
 25X1 opinion that CIA in a great many instances weakens its  
 recruiting possibilities in view of our security regulations  
 and in particular ~~the fact~~ that "the young married men are not  
 allowed to discuss their day's business in any way, shape or  
 form but rather must restrict themselves to the weather".  
 25X1 The Director went on to say [redacted] that  
 we lose people as a result of the time it takes to obtain  
 clearances, and in this connection remarked he (DCI) had  
 felt for some time that Security is too restrictive in approving  
 outside contacts which our people wish to make in the conduct  
 of their daily business. Col. White and Mr. Kirkpatrick  
 pointed out that in most cases Security does not prohibit  
 contacts but rather furnishes any derogatory information on  
 the person to be contacted as a flag, thus permitting our  
 people to act accordingly. Mr. Kirkpatrick went on to say that  
 25X1 in his opinion [redacted] is in all probability  
 bending too far backward in not permitting its people to get  
 in touch with doubtful characters and at the Director's  
 25X1 request, undertook, together with Col. White, to look into  
 25X1 the above. Mr. Kirkpatrick also noted that he received an  
 eight page letter [redacted] expressing his views on  
 our security procedures.

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b) Reported that [redacted] whom he had  
 seen in New York, had passed on to him [redacted] report  
 which Mr. Dulles gave to Mr. Wisner for his comments,  
 noting his intention of taking this report up at the OCB.  
 The Director also said he thought that the guidance we  
 furnish RFE is too long and complicated.

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General Cabell:

Reported that he attended a conference at the White House  
 yesterday afternoon on the Hungarian Refugee situation and

it was made plain that the U.S. is lagging behind other countries in arranging for these refugees to enter the U.S. He stated it had been agreed that 25,000 would be allowed to enter immediately and would be processed after entry. Mr. Bissell noted he thought now was a golden opportunity for CIA to take the lead in organizing these Hungarian refugees into a solid body of opposition to the Communist regime. Mr. Amory commented on a message he had seen indicating that a Hungarian General and 10,000 Freedom fighters were located in the mountain area of Hungary and suggested that consideration should be given to furnishing these people with arms, ammunition, food, clothing, etc. The Director and Mr. Helms said they had not seen this message and Mr. Amory undertook to locate it.

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